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### NEWS SUMMARY

#### WASHINGTON TOPICS.

George J. Vest, son of Senator Vest, has been detailed by Secretary Bayard as Consul General at Liverpool.

Boyd Winchester was appointed Consul General to Switzerland and was recently appointed on account of the small salary, it being but \$1,500 per year. The annual salary of the new position is \$5,600.

The President has appointed Geo. V. N. Lathrop, of Michigan, to be envoy extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary of the United States to Russia; Boyd Winchester, Kentucky, to be Minister Resident and Consul General to Switzerland; John E. W. Thompson, of New York, to be Minister Resident and Consul General to Hayti.

Mr. Lathrop, appointed Minister to Russia, is sixty years of age. He has been prominently identified with the legal profession. His residence is at Detroit. The appointment to Russia was unsolicited. Mr. Lathrop has declined a nomination to Congress. Mr. Lathrop, it is understood, will accept the appointment tendered him.

It is stated at the Postoffice Department that Postmaster Palmer, of Chicago, was removed for "offensive partisanship." The Postmaster General said Palmer was an active worker in the recent campaign, and one of those Republicans whose continuance was not deemed advisable by the administration.

Dr. John E. W. Thompson, who was appointed Minister Resident and Consul General of the United States to Hayti, was born in Brooklyn, N. Y., and is at present a resident of New York City. Thompson is a graduate of the medical department of Yale College. After leaving Yale he pursued his medical studies in Paris, where he became proficient in the French language, which knowledge will serve him in his new sphere, as the Haytiens are a French speaking people. Dr. Thompson is a young colored man, highly recommended for the position by the faculty of Yale as well as by many leading citizens of his native State. Thompson is said to have been a life long Democrat.

The President has appointed the following postmasters: Samuel P. Stone, Urbana, Ohio, vice Samuel B. Price, suspended; Corning Judd, at Chicago, Ill., vice Frank W. Palmer, suspended; Wm. Grosebeck, at Independence, Mo., vice C. Cryer, commission expired; Charles A. Foster, at Bellevue, Idaho, vice E. Johnson, resigned; Willard P. Carr, at Sioux Falls, D. T., vice Isaac N. Hibbs, resigned; H. S. Herbert, at Rolla, Mo., vice H. E. Baker, commission expired; N. J. Price, at Neosho, Mo., vice J. R. Wood, commission expired; Oliver Wells, at Marshallfield, Mo., vice Wm. Smith, office raised to presidential grade; Jacob L. Blake, at Red Oak, Ia., vice E. S. Rogers, commission expired; Patrick Cain, at Ft. Dodge, Ia., vice F. M. Page, suspended.

Secretary Manning has requested the resignation of Col. F. M. Burrill, Chief of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing. E. R. Graves, assistant treasurer of the United States, has been appointed to fill the vacancy. Mr. Graves entered the treasury department in 1863 as a \$1,200 clerk. He has served as chief clerk of the department, as superintendent of the National bank redemption agency and as assistant treasurer. He has also made chief examiner of the civil service commission under Gen. Grant, and in 1877 was a member of the commission appointed to reorganize the bureau of engraving and printing. By the reorganization the expenses of the bureau were decreased to the extent of several hundred thousand dollars. The appointment is a promotion. Grave's salary being \$800 more per year than that of assistant treasurer. He voted for Mr. Cleveland. The bureau of engraving and printing has about 1,200 employees, but twelve of whom come under the provision of the civil service law. These are appointed by the chief of the bureau.

#### POLITICAL AND PERSONAL.

Hiram Walker, a millionaire of Springfield, Ill., is dead.

Edmund Rice, Democrat, was elected mayor of St. Paul by a majority of about 2,000.

E. J. Baldwin of Los Angeles, Cal., has been sued by Lou Perkins for \$500,000 for breach of promise of marriage.

Henry Daly, a merchant of Carterville, Ill., is said to have lost a pocketbook containing \$10,000 in government bonds.

Mr. Wyman, treasurer of the United States, tendered his resignation, and C. N. Jordan of New York was appointed his successor.

Brigadier-General Irwin McDowell died at San Francisco, Cal. He has been in a critical condition for the past two weeks.

The Democrats of La Porte, Ind., gave Mortimore Nye a majority of 263 for mayor. The Republicans elected mayors at Muncie, Shelbyville and Elkhart.

President Andrew D. White of Cornell University, who was a Blaine man, thinks Mr. Cleveland is doing what he regards Mr. Hendricks as dead against civil-service reform.

The Illinois legislature has passed into the control of the republicans, J. W. Weaver having been elected representative from the Thirty-fourth district by a majority of 36, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. Shaw. The district is naturally democratic by 2,000 majority, and the result creates the greatest surprise.

#### CHIMES AND CASUALTIES.

Damaging floods are reported in Southwest Missouri.

An attempt to burn the Missouri Pacific depot at Jefferson City was frustrated by timely discovery.

Thieves obtained \$7,000 in bonds and \$800 in cash at the residence of Hubert Bernard, in Corning, New York.

Miss Bebe Dieff and her parents were arrested in Palo Pinto county, Texas, charged with the murder of a new-born babe.

Mrs. Gilchrist, of Newark, New Jersey, became insane from drink, and chopped off the head of her babe with an ax.

Two young Germans near Carlinville, Ill., went coon hunting. Frank Trunk took Jos. Deitz for the coon and shot him fatally.

Total loss \$10,000. The fire is believed to have been of incendiary origin.

Robert C. Hall, a young man in New York City, while clerking for G. F. Hastings, embezzled \$12,000, and is now in jail. He comes from a good family.

On a farm near Sumner, Iowa, Fred Bell shot Gottfried Housman in the neck, and then killed himself. They were rival Russians for the hand of a young woman, who favored Housman.

An octogenarian of Freeville, New York named George W. Tripp, being informed that his wife would soon die from cancer, hanged himself to a beam in his barn leaving a note stating that he could not bear the thought of being left alone.

James C. Smiddy, the most trusted inmate of the Joliet penitentiary, serving as dispensary clerk, killed himself with morphine because of his failure to receive a pardon which had been promised him. He was serving a life sentence for a murder committed in Jackson county, and had spent sixteen years in prison.

The wife of Dr. J. J. Steinrede, of Memphis, who fled with a colored coachman because of abuses to which she was subjected, has appealed to the police of Chicago to be sent home. She claims that she attempted to earn subsistence by sewing or scrubbing, and wandered about until she had pawned all her fine clothing. Her appearance would move the stoniest heart.

An express train on the Louisville, New Albany & Chicago railroad, was stopped at Smithville Hill, Ind., by one man, and the robber shooting the baggage man and express messenger took what money there was in the car, pulled the bell chord and as the train slackened up left the train and made good his escape. It is thought the robber got about \$2,000. In jumping from the car he dropped \$400 but did not stop to pick it up.

Rev. J. H. Daily, formerly pastor of the Trinity M. E. church in York street, Jersey City, and who left the ministry confessing he had been improperly intimate with Mrs. Stewart, a servant in his house, has committed suicide. After he left Jersey City he went to New Orleans to study medicine. He applied himself too closely, and this, together with his domestic troubles, undermined his health. He decided, however, to go to St. Louis to open an office, and on April 27 boarded a Mississippi River steamer. That evening he rushed to the bulwarks and threw himself into the river. The steamer was stopped, but the body was not recovered.

George Hurlburt and Michael Quinn were killed by an explosion in the Croton aqueduct in New York City. For several hundred feet the aqueduct at the point of the accident was an open cut terminating at each end in a tunnel. The cut had been finished at the south end, and about 250 feet of the tunnel had been completed, while the heading had been extended 100 feet further. At about 11 o'clock of the morning of the accident fifteen men were working in the heading, while about ten were working in the bench a hundred feet nearer the mouth of the tunnel. Without any warning there occurred the terrific explosion. Every light in the tunnel was put out by the concussion. The men in the tunnel were momentarily stunned, but were soon aroused by the cries of wounded and dying men coming through the smoke and darkness. Quickly reighting their lamps they hurried back to the bench. Michael Quinn lay dead under a pile of rocks. George Hurlburt had been thrown ten feet, and his dried weighing perhaps 300 pounds, lay across his chest. His face, head and upper part of his body were much injured. He was still alive. Joseph Fejus lay buried beneath a pile of rocks, with his legs badly injured, and parts of his flesh torn away. James Quinn, who was sitting almost over the place of explosion, had been blown to the top of the heading, but he came down on his feet on the bench without any injury whatever. Milton Smith who was climbing into the heading was not hurt. The rest of the men were all lying about under piles of rock or timber, all more or less seriously hurt. The injured were removed to the neighboring shanties and doctors were soon rendering every aid in their power.

#### MISCELLANEOUS.

Gen. Sheridan will inspect the military posts of the West.

The polygamists of Utah are being vigorously prosecuted.

A fine slate mine has been discovered near Little Rock, Ark.

The old board of directors of the C., B. & Q. road were re-elected.

The Ohio Legislature refuses to investigate the alleged bribery cases.

The area sown in Spring wheat is less than it was last year.

Confederate memorial day was observed in many parts of the South.

Russia has purchased five steamers in the United States to be used as cruisers.

Seventy-three head of horses were sold at Lexington, Ky., for \$40,125, an average of \$550.

A child in Gregg county, Texas, found a pile of old Spanish coin, some of them bearing the date of 1493.

The Ohio legislature passed a bill requiring Cincinnati saloons to remain closed from midnight until 6 a. m.

The 117th annual report of the New York Chamber of Commerce says the business year has begun favorably.

According to Prof. Sanborn's forthcoming report the prospect is for a little over half an average crop in Missouri.

Sixty-four head of shorthorn cattle were sold by the Clay County, Missouri, Association for an average of \$87.75 per head.

In the New York Senate a bill was passed fixing a stamp-tax on speculative dealings in stocks, grain, oil, provisions, etc.

The president of the Chicago Board of Trade says the bill to abolish that institution had its origin among the tuck-shop interests.

The governor of Georgia sold to New York bankers \$3,455,000 in state bonds running thirty years at 4 1/2 per cent, getting a premium of 5-16.

The Illinois board of agriculture has passed resolutions heartily approving of Governor Oglesby's action against Missouri cattle exposed to pleuro-pneumonia.

Dr. Hunt, secretary of the State Board of Health at New Jersey, says the hog cholera cost the farmers of the State in 1884 \$200,000 and the loss thus far this year is \$60,000.

While boring for natural gas at Lima, Ohio, workmen struck a strong vein of petroleum, at a depth of 1,260 feet. The quality is found to be equal to the Pennsylvania product.

The war-ship Niagara, which was sold at auction in Boston, yesterday, for \$12,300, aided in laying the first Atlantic cable, and took home the earliest Japanese embassy visiting the United States.

10 Gusnie Cottlow, 6 years of age, residing at Shelbyville, Illinois, could play the piano by ear when 3 years old, and now executes with accuracy the works of Beethoven and Mendelssohn by note.

A published statement is made that a watchman has been stationed at the grave of Cyrus H. McCormick at Milwaukee, Wis., every night since the dead millionaire was buried, at Graceland cemetery, a year ago. Mindful of the Stewart affair, it was decided by the relatives of the inventor to keep a vigilant watch over his grave. Though a large salary was offered, considerable difficulty was experienced in finding a man who would accept the uncongenial task. No violence has yet been offered the sacred spot.

While Alexander Hibbard, of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, aged 16 years, was toasting up a trade dollar and attempting to catch it in his sleeve, the piece of money accidentally struck in his mouth, and before he was fully aware of what he was doing he had swallowed it all. Prominent physicians of the city have been consulted, and are now deliberating on the question of whether or not the young man's singular diet will prove fatal. He is suffering considerably from the raspings of the milled edge of the dollar, it is thought.

The Farmers' Review in summing up the reports of 1,200 correspondents says that very little can be said in favor of the Winter wheat crop. That the abundance of grain which has fallen has revived the life of the plant, but has altogether confirmed the report that a large proportion of the crop is killed. There will probably be the same acreage of Spring wheat as in 1884. That the oat crop bids fair to be very large, and that the corn acreage promises to be very large, owing to the fact that the condition of the wheat crop caused many acres of winter wheat to have been plowed up and put into corn.

Angus Cameron, one of the apostles of the Mormon church, an ex-member of congress from Utah territory, was found guilty of polygamy. When called up for sentence yesterday, he said he was conscious of having violated no law. His conscience was serene. He had obeyed the Edmunds law as he understood it. That is while living in the same house with his wives he had had intercourse with but one. He loved his children, and was gratified to hear the court say the law had made all those children equal heirs. He inferred from this that in case he died intestate his children would be equal heirs before the law and he thought in view of this fact it was unjust to hold a man criminal for eating with them and their mothers at the table. His record was before the country, and his heart was visible to God, who created him. The record of his life, in contact with his people, [here he turned and waved his hands to the crowd] bore him up to receive such sentence as the court should impose. He felt pleased also that the court had stated that his conduct towards his respective wives since the passage of the Edmunds bill should be taken into consideration when the sentence was being passed. He would now submit and bow to the decrees of the court, trusting to be able to bear up under any sentence it may inflict, in such manner as to give evidence to his children that he had not lost his manhood. Cameron's speech received great applause, which the marshal had to check. When the court asked Cameron if he declined to make any promise in regard to the future, he replied: "I have never been in the habit of making childish promises lest they should fail."

The total exchanges of twenty-five leading clearing houses of the United States, last week, were \$752,000,000, being a decrease of 31 per cent, compared with last year. Amount outside of New York, \$245,000,000, a decrease of 15 per cent. The notable gains were: Chicago 2, Milwaukee 6, Kansas City 38, Los Angeles, New York 33, Boston 20, Philadelphia 21, St. Louis 16, Cincinnati 13, Pittsburg 53.

#### FOREIGN.

More serious rioting is reported at Cork. All the powers are urging Turkey to remain neutral.

The island of Bermuda is being put in a state of defence.

Egypt has apologized to France, and the trouble is settled.

German officers are inspecting the forts along the Dardanelles.

Sir Peter Lumsden's summons home does not cancel his appointment.

The Prince of Wales opened the World's exposition of inventions at London.

Ayub Khan, the former ameer of Afghanistan, is closely guarded in Persia.

Prince Alexander Karageorgewitz, claimant to the throne of Serbia, is dead.

A full report of the Perjeh affair has reached the Czar by special messenger.

The entire editions of five newspapers were seized by the government at Vienna.

International control of the Suez canal is under discussion by the international commission in Paris.

An appropriation has been made by the French chamber of deputies to lay a submarine cable to Tonquin.

The prediction is made by the Austrian press that Italy will become disquieted and quarrel with England.

Dr. Tanner, the well-known physician of Cork, Ireland, has been expelled from the Cork County club because he hissed the Prince.

Preston, the mislato who burned the City of Colon, is said to have seized three steamers at Porto, and threatens to make further trouble.

The London Times says the Afghan affair has been mismanaged, but the opposition should rely on the coming election to square accounts with the administration.

Perjeh is said to be occupied by a small force of Russians, with four guns. The telegraph line is completed to point more than one hundred miles beyond Askarand.

Prince Louis sent a cablegram to the Canadian minister of militia, asking that fifty pounds of tobacco and five hundred pipes be presented to the troops in the Northwest.

The British Government has advised a cessation of the chartering of ships of small pattern for transport service. This is believed to foreshadow a stoppage of all war preparations.

The citizens of Victoria, British Columbia, gathered to pass resolutions urging their representatives at Ottawa to secure the introduction of measures against the Chinese or withdraw their support from the Government.

On the Amazon and Mexican border a child of a wealthy man was kidnapped. The ransom was not paid because of failure to receive the demand. The kidnappers killed the child and threw it in the yard. A sister of the boy dropped dead on seeing the mutilated body, and the father is a raving maniac.

Captain Kane, of the United States steamer Galena, lying at Colon, handed over to the Columbian command two rebel leaders who had assisted Preston in burning the city. They were court-martialed on Wednesday morning, and a few hours later were publicly hanged at the precise spot where they fired the town.

It is reported at Panama on trustworthy authority, that a treaty has been concluded between the government at Bogota and the minister of the United States in respect to the security of the transit across the Isthmus. This treaty is said to confer on the United States government certain rights of guardianship of all transit, either by rail or canal, across the Isthmus of Panama, with special duties of protection to be exercised in accord with the government of the United States of Columbia.

General Middleton made his advance on the Canadian rebels at Batouche. He found the half-breeds firing on the steamer Northcote from both banks, and the boat drifting upon a sandbar. Captain Howard, with a Gatling gun, twice drove the enemy to flight, but they rallied and fought bravely until the night approached. The battle was a general one, and the troops were to remain under arms all night. Six men are said to have been killed and eighteen wounded, while the rebel loss is estimated at seventy-five. The fight is thought to have continued throughout the next day.

#### MURDERER CAPTURED.

The Inhuman Fiend who Murdered Freiler in a St. Louis Hotel Captured at Auckland, New Zealand.

The fiendish crime which was perpetrated at the Southern hotel, St. Louis, a short time ago is yet fresh in the minds of the people. The murderer was supposed to be Walter H. Lenox Maxwell, and he was traced from St. Louis to San Francisco, and from there it was supposed he took the steamer for some South Sea port. On May 7th word came that the murderer had been captured at Auckland, New Zealand.

Extradition papers were prepared at St. Louis to be sent for the murderer. No agent for the state has yet been appointed to go for him, there being some doubt as to the manner of the appointment. There is no need for hurry, however, as the officer who goes cannot leave San Francisco before June 6th, when the next Auckland steamer sails. Chief of Police Harrington cabled Mr. Gamble, American consul at Auckland, instructing him to hold Maxwell at all hazards until the officer from Missouri arrived. The police board has also telegraphed Secretary of State Bayard, notifying him that an officer will leave San Francisco for Maxwell on June 6th, and urging Mr. Bayard, in conjunction with the British minister at Washington, to see that Maxwell is not released on a technicality until the officer arrives.

A young lady whose very best young man lived over the way with his parents took a seat by the window one cloudy morning. "Why do you sit by the window such a chilly morning, Laura?" asked her mother. "I'm watching for the son to come out, ma," she replied. Unidentified.